

Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2014-15 to 2018-19

Overview

Courts data¹

Counts of charges, distinct young people and court appearances.

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Total finalised charges ^a	26,166	27,281	29,602	36,874	42,659
Total proven charges (offences) ^d	23,357	23,745	25,157	31,115	36,676
Distinct young people with a proven offence ^f	3,494	3,488	3,406	4,018	4,716
Total finalised court appearances ^h	6,728	7,157	7,205	8,443	9,668
Average number of charges finalised per court appearance	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.4	4.4

Youth Justice orders data²

Count of admissions to supervised or unsupervised youth justice orders, where the order started during the reference period.

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Admissions to supervised youth justice orders ^a	3,448	3,392	3,201	3,791	4,010
Distinct young people admitted to supervised youth justice orders ^d	1,769	1,733	1,620	1,950	2,063
Rate (per 10,000) of distinct people admitted to supervised youth justice orders ^f	41.9	40.3	36.9	43.4	40.3
Average daily number of young people supervised in the community ^g	1,339	1,232	1,190	1,377	1,643
Admissions to unsupervised youth justice orders ^a	3,865	3,989	3,705	4,195	4,624
Distinct young people admitted to unsupervised youth justice orders ^d	2,740	2,762	2,484	2,788	3,291
Rate (per 10,000) of distinct young people admitted to unsupervised youth justice orders ^f	64.8	64.3	56.5	62.1	64.2

Detention centre data³

Count of young offenders in Queensland youth detention centres at 11.59pm on each day during the financial year.

	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
Average daily number of young people in a detention centre ^a	170		186		179		202		214	
Average daily number on remand in YDC (including young people in pre-court custody in YDC)	135	80%	147	79%	145	81%	167	83%	176	82%
Average daily number on sentence in YDC	35	20%	39	21%	34	19%	35	17%	38	18%
Average daily number in Brisbane YDC	112	66%	108	58%	106	59%	116	57%	126	59%
Average daily number in Cleveland YDC	58	34%	78	42%	73	41%	86	43%	87	41%
Rate (per 10,000) average daily number in detention ^d	4.0		4.3		4.1		4.5		4.2	
Admissions to detention centre ^e	1,879		1,678		2,024		2,214		1,526	
Distinct young people admitted to YDC ^f	895		815		930		972		805	
Rate (per 10,000) of distinct young people admitted to detention centre ^{de}	21.2		19.0		21.2		21.6		15.7	

Custody data⁴

Counts of young offenders in Queensland youth detention centres and other custodial locations at 11.59pm each day during the financial year.

Youth Justice custody data is those young people on pre-court custody, custody-bail, remand or sentence legal status held in a youth detention centre; and young people held in other custodial locations (i.e. watchhouses, police transit, Brisbane Childrens Court cells, mental health ward) on custody-bail, remand or sentence. It excludes young people with an 'unknown' legal status and young people held on pre-court custody in other custodial locations.

	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
Average daily number of young people in custody ^b (youth detention centres and other custodial locations)	171		188		182		208		252	
Average daily number on remand (includes remand in detention centres and in other custodial locations and pre-court custody in detention centres only)	137	80%	149	79%	147	81%	173	83%	213	85%
Average daily number on sentence (includes sentenced in detention centres and other custodial locations)	35	20%	39	21%	34	19%	35	17%	39	15%
Average daily number in a youth detention centre	170		186		179		202		214	
Average daily number in other custodial locations	2	1%	2	1%	2	1%	6	3%	38	15%
Rate (per 10,000) average daily number in custody ^a	4.1		4.4		4.1		4.6		4.9	

Notes:

1. Refer to the Courts data of the Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2014-15 to 2018-19.
2. Refer to the Youth Justice orders data of the Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2014-15 to 2018-19.
3. Refer to the Detention Centre data of the Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2014-15 to 2018-19.
4. Refer to the Custody data of the Youth Justice annual summary statistics: 2014-15 to 2018-19.